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MEMORANDUM

To: CITY COUNCIL

From: BRUCE ROGERS, CITY COUNCILOR - WARD 6

Date: AUGUST 15, 2007

Subject: GRAFFITI

Motion:

Move to direct staff to review the city's existing graffiti abatement program, enforcement efforts, and related ordinances and bring back recommendations for ways to strengthen deterrents to graffiti, enforcement against violators, and graffiti abatement.

Discussion:

NESCA and other northeast Salem neighborhoods have been hit hard recently with graffiti. Some properties have experienced repeated tagging which has a negative affect on qualtiy of life and the perception of safety in the area. Graffiti also results in a personal expense to homeowners who must repeatedly remove graffiti from their property.

I would like staff to review our graffiti-related efforts as well as successful programs in other cities and make recommendations for strengthening our efforts against graffiti crimes.